

Betts, Benjamin

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Bauman L. Belden Esq.

Recording Secretary,

Dear Sir,

Your esteemed
favor of Jan. 22^d notifying me of the
action taken at the fiftieth annual
meeting of the American Unitarian
Society (held Jan. 22nd) conferring upon
me the degree of Honorary President, has
had careful consideration, and while
I feel that my services to the Society
were of such a character as not to warrant
so great a compliment, it is nevertheless
thankfully accepted.

Words fail me fittingly to express
my profound appreciation.

To my old friends and fellowmembers
with whom for the forty years of my
membership it has been my pleasure
and my privilege to be associated, I feel
that I am indebted for the high honor
accorded me.

Please pardon my long delay in answering your communication.

For the past three weeks I have been laid up with rheumatism, which has practically disabled me from writing.

My eyes as well as my hands, have been much disabled but are now improving slowly, and I hope with favorable weather will soon be well again.

Trusting that this will find you in good health, I remain

Very truly Yours,

Benj. Pettit